GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN NATIONAL HERITAGE AND CULTURE DIVISION

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF PAKISTAN (LIBRARY RATES COMMITTEE)

No.F.5-3/2024-P&R

National Library of Pakistan, Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, the 23rd January, 2024.

To

The Accountant General Pakistan Revenues, G-8/4, ISLAMABAD

SUBJECT:- LIBRARY RATES FOR LIBRARIES AND INSTITUTIONS FOR THE PERIOD 01ST JANUARY TO 31ST MARCH, 2024.

Sir,

The Library Rates Committee, constituted by National Heritage and Culture Division, Government of Pakistan vide their No.F5-5/2019-Org-III dated 11th October, 2019, in line with the special procedure for purchase of books & reading materials in the libraries approved by Finance Division, Government of Pakistan vide their U.O. No.919-R.12/86, dated 06-7-1986 and Finance Division's subsequent U.O.No.4(4)Exp.III/2002-525, dated 26-7-2003, has determined the following schedule for conversion and discount for purchase of books / journals and other library materials by the libraries and institutions in Pakistan for the period 1st January to 31st March, 2024.

AVERAGE OF SPOT BANK SELLING EXCHANGE RATES FROM 21-11-2023 to 20-12-2023.

U.S. Dollar	283.11
British Pound Sterling	357.17
Australian Dollar	187.62
Swedish Krona	27.25
Swiss Franc	323.56
Indian Rupee	3.39
Saudi Rial	75.49
Singapore Dollar	211.80
Euro	307.85

2. **LIBRARY RATES FOR:**

A) **IMPORTED PUBLICATIONS:**

NAME OF CURRENCY	GENERAL BOOKS (MARK-UP) 13% (i)	SUBSCRIP- TIONS TO CURRENT JOURNALS (MARK-UP) 15% (ii)	PUBLICA- TIONS OF LEARNED BODIES/ SOCIETIES (MARK-UP) 18% (iii)	BACK VOLUMES OF JOURNALS (MARK-UP) 18% (iv)	DISCOUNT
U.S. Dollar	319.91	325.57	334.06	334.06	Uniform
British Pound Sterling	403.6	410.74	421.46	421.46	discount of
Australian Dollar	212.01	215.76	221.39	221.39	10% on all
Swedish Krona	30.79	31.33	32.15	32.15	imported titles
Swiss Franc	365.62	372.09	381.8	381.8	of General
Indian Rupee	3.83	3.89	3.99	3.99	books Cat.(I). No discount on
Saudi Rial	85.30	86.81	89.07	89.07	Materials in
Singapore Dollar	239.33	243.57	249.92	249.92	Other
Euro	347.87	354.02	363.26	363.26	Categories.

B) **PAKISTANI PUBLICATIONS:**

DISCOUNT.

a)	Local Text Books Produced by
	Text Book Boards, publications of
	Federal and Provincial Governments
	and non-profitable special publications.

(a) No discount

The Holy Quran (Text only) b)

(b) No discount

c) General Books

15%) More discount is (c)

d) Fiction including drama

20%) negotiable on (d) purchase of ten or more copies.

C) SPECIAL LIBRARY MATERIALS/ **AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS:**

Rates as in Category A (iii) above depending upon the rates of discount allowed by the foreign suppliers. Taxes/duties shall be paid actual. The educational institutions, which are exempted from such duties, can claim refund.

The booksellers/suppliers will supply the original editions and show the actual 3. prices in foreign currency as well as Pak. Rupees on the bills. The following certificate duly signed by the booksellers will be given on the bills:

> "Certified that the prices charged are correct. If any "discrepancy" at any stage is found, we undertake to refund the excess payment made to us. It is further certified that the publications listed in the bill are original authorized editions/reprint and not pirated ones, it is further certified that the titles supplied are not remainders".

- The booksellers/suppliers will provide on demand the original or authenticated photocopies of foreign publishers' invoices upto 20% or foreign publisher's catalogues of publications/library materials listed in bill whenever so requested for price verification.
- 5. If the books/library materials ordered by libraries and institutions are available in stock, the rates will be charged according to the schedule prevailing at the time of placing confirmed order. If an import order is placed the supplier will intimate the approximate date of delivery and will also mention that the rates will be charged according to the schedule prevailing at the time of delivery.
- 6. As the subscription of journals/periodicals/society publications and CD-ROM database are not a one time payment, so the same may be paid in advance in case of extreme necessity, provided subscribing agency is reputable and gives undertaking to refund the amount paid in case of failing to supply in toto.
- 7. Postal/forwarding charges on supply of books/library materials, both foreign and local shall be borne by the booksellers.
- 8. Since the books/library materials can be purchased according to standards schedule rates from any bookseller in the country, tenders need not to be called.
- It was felt that the payments of the booksellers are delayed by some institutions. 9. They are requested that the outstanding bills of the booksellers may be settled in time.
- The rates letter will be displayed by all booksellers at a prominent place in their 10. shops/showrooms.

These Library Rates are available on the website www.nlp.gov.pk

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Members of the Library Rates Committee:

- ◆ The Director General / Convener, National Library of Pakistan, Islamabad.
- The Director General, Department of Libraries, Islamabad.
- The Deputy Secretary (Exp.), Finance Division, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad.
- The Director General, Department of Culture, Tourism & Libraries, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
- ♦ The Chief Librarian, International Islamic University, Islamabad.
- The Secretary (Federal Branch), Pakistan Library Association, Islamabad.
- The Chief Librarian, University of Balochistan, Quetta.
- ♦ The Director General, Public Libraries, Punjab, Lahore.
- ♦ The Convener, International Trade Committee (ITC), Pakistan Publishers & Booksellers Association, Lahore.
- ♦ The Central Vice Chairman, Pakistan Publishers & Booksellers Association, Lahore.
- ♦ The Director, Archives & Libraries, Government of KP, Peshawar.

B. Copy also forwarded for necessary action to the Secretaries of Finance/Education/Local Government Department of the Punjab/Sindh / KP / Balochistan /AJ&K at Lahore, Karachi, Peshawar, Quetta and Muzaffarabad, respectively and Secretary of Culture, Tourism, Youth Affairs and Libraries Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi and the Secretary of Culture, Sports, Tourism, Archives and Libraries Department, Government of KP, Peshawar, with the request that the contents of this letter may please be brought to notice of all libraries under their control.

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